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A BRILLIANT CLOSE OF THE CARNIVAL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14, 1880.

MY DEAR L:—

'Tis now the witching hour of Lent, when church-goers yawn, etc. And eke ye native hue of dissipation is being sickled over by the pale cast of swearing off until Easter.

Without anything very large we still seem to have put in a rather social season since the holidays opened in looking back over the ground.

Your own two representatives, I am quite sure, can file no complaints concerning their sojourn among us. The Governor among the solider men with an occasional over into the grounds of the younger ones, and the (should have been) Secretary of State among the younger with an occasional over into grounds of the solider men.

I was beguiled into joining a party who went up to Baltimore on the night of the 5th. There are no colored teachers in any of the schools of that God-forsaken city, and latterly meetings have been held by the citizens who feel that this outrageous exclusion needs a vigorous protest. On this occasion a meeting was held at the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church and Messrs. J. D. Kennedy, Wm. E. Matthews and Wyatt Archer invited to lend their voices and words of encouragement to others on their "native heath," and though no speaker myself, there were several inducements outside which caused me to yield at the last moment to the pressure and go on also. I don't know positively whether it is because I am a little deaf, or because I cannot make a speech, or on account of something that is "wrought in the man," but I am liable to be led astray from any sort of speech making, out of hand by a "maiden fair to see."

I was a delegate to the Grant convention in Chicago, and have never yet seen the building in which it was held, though I stayed a week in the city. Likewise I did not spend much time at the meeting Finding there were quite enough there without me, I joined forces with a fair friend and we were soon speeding through the frosty night air, to the residence of Mrs. Conkling, who had a children's gathering—lads and lasses from ten to sweet sixteen—enjoying themselves in all the freshness of youth's capabilities, carrying my mind back with a tinge of sadness to the days when I was even as one of those little ones "A many years ago." After an hour spent very pleasantly in watching the enjoyment of the young folks, the hour of the meeting's adjournment having arrived, I headed for the house of that staunch old Baltimorean, whose hospitality has been enjoyed by every man of our race in the country who stands for anything and has visited the "Monumental City," Mr. James T. Bradford, or, as he facetiously calls himself,—"The Old Bacon Man." Here I found assembled beside our noble host, Drs. Winsey and Brown, William E. Matthews, J. D. Kennedy and Wyatt Archer. And in about half hour later, we all sat down to a bountiful supper, the main items of which were terrapin, broiled oysters, olio, tongue and champagne. After doing justice to all, cigars and speech making ensued in the course of which gleaned the fact that Kennedy had again distinguished himself and before an entirely new audience, which is a digression somewhat. However, Mr. Bradford presiding gave his visitors and guests that hearty welcome which none but so large hearted a man could feel or express and in turn called the health of those around the festive board, who each responded in brief but felicitous expression, and so in happy interchange of thought and fire of wit, another link was welded in the strong chain of friendship that already bound inseparable those assembled.

Out again about one in the morning through the clear frosty air of morning, and bright shining stars of winter, went Kennedy, Archer and myself to where the "Junior Assembly" were holding the last of their series of Germans for the season of 1879 80. We were warmly welcomed, and made at once to feel "at home," by the officers and members of the club, and their lady friends. About two other hours passed pleasantly here in the mazy dance and in pleasant converse, and at four o'clock we rolled into the bed most kindly and thoughtfully offered us by Dr. Brown who lived near the Hall.

At six o'clock we were up again and at seven "all aboard for Washington," too happy to be tired. The party, except myself, partook of a splendid tea set forth by the Rev. Mr. Hedges, a fact I had forgotten to mention, before the meeting. I would like before dropping the subject of the trip to speak of some Baltimore's charming daughters whom we met at the German, but to do so I would have to list them all, or seem to be making invidious distinctions where none existed. I will only say therefore "It was good to be there."

On Sunday Will H. Harris, Esq., a member of the Sparta Club, gave a dinner at the residence of Mr. J. W. Cole, to his friend Mr. Kenner, of your "village," at which I had the pleasure of "assisting," as they say in France. There sat down to table, Messrs. Harris, Kenner, Kennedy, Cole, Lewis, Dr. Crusor and self, spending a couple of hours in the enjoyment of an excellent repast, washed down with libations of "Gold Seal." After that a stroll to Vespers at St. Augustines, where we arrived too late to hear Mrs. Smallwood, who has resumed her place in the choir after recess Finishing up later at St. Luke's where after a good strong practical Sermon by Dr. Crummell an exquisite trio from La Hache Messe pro Pace, was sung by Miss Mattie Lawrence, Messrs. Tompkins and Cole.

Perhaps the finest, certainly the most altogether enjoyable affair of the season, was a *petite souper*, given by a few gentlemen as a sort of ending of the Carnival, on the evening of Tuesday the 10th. The party assembled at the Fleetwood-Minton's residence at 8 o'clock, p. m. The hosts were Messrs. Archer, Matthews, Kennedy, Minton, Hawkesworth and Fleetwood. The guests, Misses Caddie and Alice Parke, Miss Lucie Moten, Miss Ella Somerville, Miss Fanny Barrier, Mesdames Hawkesworth, Fleetwood and Minton, and Gov. Pinchback the sole guest of the male persuasion.

The croquettes were from the world-famed Augustines and the oysters from Finelli, also of Philadelphia. The other articles were of home production. The supper table was beautifully laid by "Gray" and surrounded by its ruthless invaders, presented an appearance not soon to be forgotten. After justice had been done to the viands, Mr. Fleetwood, occupying the post of "toast master," arose and, briefly stating the nature of the occasion and that all would be expected to speak in turn, ladies as well as gentlemen, introduced Miss Lucy E. Moten, who was first on his right, and after her in their order as they sat, each one was called upon in turn, and all responded at greater or less length, force and beauty. The ladies generally acquitted themselves nobly, especially considering the fact that the toast master's announcement was the first intimation they had of the fact that they would be called upon. Col. Minton made the most graceful speech of the evening and his lady-wife the shortest; Matthews the most unanimous, Miss Barrier the most poetic; Kennedy the strongest, Mrs. Fleetwood the most thoughtful; Mrs. Hawkesworth the neatest—I could not measure the relativeness of the speeches made by the Misses Parke. The fact is that it is such an inspiration only to look at them that my soul was in my eyes as they spoke, and not in my ears.

After the "rounds" had been made, Mr. Matthews asked permission to take another turn, and after some highly eulogistic and hearty remarks, proposed the health of the President of the evening, Mr. Fleetwood, Col. Minton moved to amend by substituting "Our Chris," which was carried *nem con*, and *drunk standing*, by ladies and gentlemen present. (No "hics" for the ladies if you please, the *chocolate* was good.) Mr. Fleetwood being "too full for utterance," (chocolate) briefly thanked them for the high honor and adjourned the party to the parlors where another hour was spent in pleasant converse and singing, and at "high twelve" the party separated with one of the largest and biggest of white stones set up in the avenues of memory.

One of the handsomest wedding parties I have ever seen, assembled in the 15th Street Presbyterian Church, on the evening of the 11th, to witness the marriage of Miss Anastasia Brooks one of Washington's fair daughter's by adoption to Walter S. Thomas, Esq. It is hardly necessary to state that Mr. Thomas is an Ohio man. If he were not an Ohio man the matter would rather need to be stated, but Ohio seems to be all pervading, irrepressible and un-sit-down-upon-able in all directions. The crowded and brilliantly lighted church afforded a beautiful coup d'œil from the choir in which I was so fortunate as to gain standing room.

As Suppe's Wedding March pealed from the organ which was in charge of Prof. Bellini Fleet, the wedding party entered the church preceeded by the ushers Messrs. Langston, Govern, Scott and D. Brooks, Jr. T. Lawson Brooks, Esq. Best man, with Miss Jennie Brown of Baltimore, First Maid. Frank T. Hyman of N. C., with Miss Annie W. Silence of Washington. Seconds.

The groom with the brides mother, and the bride on the arm of Mr. S. W. Estern, who gave her away. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Lanahan of Foundry Church assisted by Rev. F. J. Grimke, Pastor of the Church, the bridal party forming three sides of a square enclosing the ministers and the high contracting parties during the performance of the ceremony.

The bride's dress was made by mrs. Keckly of National reputation, the making being her present to the bride. I am the worst hand in the world to describe dresses, but strong on general effect. The general effect was magnificent. A good natured lady friend however supplied me with the details, and those who know about that sort of thing will be glad doubtless to know them. The Bride's was of white satin and tulle, shirred and puffed front of satin, satin panier, immense train (regular Steamboat wake), elaborately trimmed with orange blossoms and lillies of the valley. Vail to the end of train, (regular cloud) wreath of orange blossoms, bouqet of natural flowers in (on?) the train.

Miss Jennie Brown, of Baltimore, first maid, wore satin and tarleton (don't know whether I spell it right), panier basque, loops of satin, ribbon and lace in front of dress, square train, with daisies on dress, horse shoe of natural flowers and smilax in hair. Miss Annie Silence, second maid, dress same as that of Miss Brown in all details.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Estern with whom the bride has had her residence for some two years past, gave her a magnificent bridal supper, to which her and their more immediate friends were invited.

The supper was furnished by "Thomas," of Washington, and I remember my first impression was a wonder that it did not crush through the table.

This letter is getting out of all reason in length so I will only name a few of those present, Mrs. Keckley, Miss Katie V. Jennings, Rev. and Mrs. Grimke, Col. Harlan, Robert Harlan and wife, Mrs. Georgiani Erb, of Mass., Mrs. Jennie Jakes, Baltimore, Mrs. Lydia Smith, Mrs. Jno. Francis, Dr. J. R. Francis, Mr. and Mrs. Peters, Dr. C. B. Purvis, Miss Lucy E. Moten, Mrs. Emma Johnson, Messrs Archer and Fleetwood Mr. and Mrs. Willie Montague, Miss Montague and others.

The bridal presents were numerous, elegant and useful. I name a few.—

Two handsome chromo-lithographs, Miss Katie V. Jennings.

Pair of vases, Frazier O. Stratton.

Blue and white tufted pin-cushion mats, Mrs. John C. Brooks.

Toilet bottles in pink satin, Miss Lucy E. Moten.

White satin pin-cushion with lace and flowers, Mrs. J. L. Hickman.

Magnificent fan of satin, ivory and feathers (used by the bride), Mrs. M. Leatherby.

Ivory back comb and brush in morocco case lined with cardinal satin, Shriver Deaver, Esq., of Baltimore.

Silver napkin ring and bouquet holder, Wyatt Archer, Esq.

Lace pillow shams and tidies, Miss Marion Brown, Baltimore.

One box ballyrygans, Miss Jennie Jakes, Baltimore.

Solid silver napkin rings with monogram, J. L. Smallwood and sister, Baltimore.

Half dozen silver forks and half dozen silver spoons, Mrs. Cornelius Clark.

White satin embroidered fan, L. Parkhurst, Baltimore.

Two silver butter knives, R. K. Morris.

Silver sugar spoon, Miss J. V. Lewis.

Japanese cream pitcher, Miss A. L. Tilghman.

Half dozen silver spoons, Mrs. Richard Francis.

Silver syrup pitcher and stand, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Murray.

Gold thimble, Mrs. Ben. Simms, Baltimore.

Carved silver napkin rings with monogram, and lace handkerchief, Mrs. Camithers.

Russia leather satchel, silver mounting and monogram, and silver plated alarm clock, Charles H. Lee, Esq.

Half dozen silver spoons, D. L. Brooks, jr.

Carved silver breakfast castors, Dr. J. R. Francis.

Wedding gloves, Miss Lula Grey, Baltimore.

Lace for neck and sleeves, Miss Frankie Martin.

Beautiful silver dinner castors, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wright, Miss Sarah D. Broadie and Will H. Ransom, Columbus, Ohio.

Half dozen beautifully carved silver spoons in satin lined morocco case, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bradford, Baltimore.

Carved silver butter dish, Ralph E. Langston.

Silver pickle dish and tongs, Wm. Richardson.

White and gold toilet set, Aggie Brooks, Baltimore.

Cut glass toilet bottle in chased silver stand, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Fleetwood.

Burnished gold card receiver with bouquet holders, S. A. Harris.

Work stand basket lined with lace, Mr. and Mrs. D. Murray.

Silk embroidered wedding hose and four-button kids, Mrs. Emma Johnson.

Red Spanish lace scarf, Mrs. Georgiana Erb.

Japanese silk and lace handkerchief, Miss L. Waters, Baltimore.

Carved silver bouquet holder, used by the bride, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jones.

Folding rocking chair, Frank T. Hyman.

Dove-colored cashmere dressing gown, cardinal front, Miss Annie Silens.

Handsome white spread, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown.

Pair fleecy lined blankets, Mrs. Lou Lynn, Mass.

Bridal bonnet, Mrs. Lou Mason.

Handsome ulster, Mrs. Shermonte Lewis.

Blue wrapper trimmed with lemon-colored cashmere, Mrs. Geo. Lee.

Bridal veil, Miss "Nibbie" Slade.

White kid slippers, Mrs. Senator B. F. Jonas, with numerous articles of *lingerie*, etc., including a pair of beautiful pink and blue articles that puzzled me until I learned they were garters, sent by Miss Lucy Rogers.

The bridal party leave Sunday evening for Ohio, the groom being Recording Clerk of the State Senate. Guess I had better close, Mr. J. Pennoyer Jones, of Arkansas, is in town. Also W. E. Augusta, Esq., formerly of the Freedman's Bank and better known as "Pete." A number of Baltimoreans were down just for the wedding. Col. Harlan leaves Sunday night for your city where he will be the guest of Gov. Pinchback. He will stop however at several points *en route*. All Louisianians are flitting or soon about to flit from here, even Kennedy. "Ch soon return."

Wearisdly Yours,
MARSA.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14, 1880.

Nothing hurts the feelings of a Va sar girl so much as to be told, in the presence of strangers at the breakfast table, that she must "limit herself to thirty pancakes on this occasion."

The Rome *Sentinel* says that a Keeley motor consists of a pound of boarding-house butter shut up in an iron box. This statement will do much to restore confidence in the power of the motor.

A candidate is never tickled when the voters scratch him.—*Philadelphia Chronicle-Herald.*

Camillo Urso once struck the wrong note in playing. How could Camilla Urso?—*St. Albans Advertiser.*

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Secretary Sherman is the choice of the colored members of the Virginia Legislature for President.

Senator Lamar has so far recovered from the recent paralytic stroke as to resume his seat in the Senate.

The game of playing "Sherman man" in Washington and "Grant man" in New Orleans will soon be an impossibility in Louisiana.

In the near future the LOUISIANIAN will contain a true history of the late "Naval battle" which shook the "Granite Building" from centre to circumference.

Delinquent correspondents will please take notice that we are again at the helm, and shall expect their letters regularly hereafter on Monday mornings of each week.

Mr. Ferdinand L. Barnett, formerly of the *Conservator*, is soon to have charge of the editorial columns of the *Freeman's Journal*. He is an independent and able writer.

Hon. John C. New, of Indiana, thinks Gen. Grant will be the unanimous choice of the Chicago convention for President, and Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, of New York, Vice-President.

Mr. T. De S. Tucker, who has so ably edited the LOUISIANIAN during the past nine months, together with the other able contributors to its columns, we are pleased to announce, will continue to write for and assist in making it second to no paper of its class in the country.

The Monroe *Bulletin*, Vol. 1 No. 2, Wm. H. Gayle, proprietor, Wm. T. Atkins, editor, made its appearance among our exchanges this week. It is ably edited and bristles all over with news. But better than all else, it is in favor of the suppression of lawlessness. May it live long and prosper.

Hon. Solomon Shaiffer, representative from Tensas, and Miss Susana Craxton, of St. Joseph, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock on last Tuesday and left the city on the steamer R. E. Lee on a wedding tour. The LOUISIANIAN extends hearty congratulations and wishes them an unruffled life of prosperity and happiness.

The National campaign will soon be upon us, and the anxiety of the people to know what is going on in the country will induce a large number to subscribe for a live paper. Our agents in the parishes should take advantage of this fact and obtain for us several hundred subscribers in this and next month. Come, gentlemen, let us see what you can do when you try.

Salutatory.

Having completed my meanderings about the country and succeeded in "smoking" the enemy out of their holes, I again take my place among the pencil fraternity and promise to pay off some of the debts of friendship and enmity that have accumulated since I laid down my pencil.

Deeply intent upon advancing the common interest of the masses of the people, I shall endeavor, through the columns of the LOUISIANIAN, to keep them well posted on all the current issues in which their rights and privileges are involved, and to suggest from time to time such a line of action as will in my humble judgment secure to them the greatest possible benefits that can be gathered from our present embarrassed situation and surroundings.

The State—owing to the cupidity, venality, and treachery of those entrusted with its care and control—has gone, I fear, never to be recovered. The Nation is far from safe. And I do not hesitate to affirm that it too will pass into the hands of those we are not wont to regard as political friends—or worse, into the hands of political hypocrites who will throw the colored voter overboard as soon as they are safely in power, unless the colored men of the country exert themselves to avert the dread calamity.

The pending presidential struggle will be one of the hottest and most closely contested ever witnessed in the Republic. The white vote of the country will be so evenly divided between the two great National parties that the solid colored vote, thrown on either side, will determine the result—in fact a *divided* colored vote in certain *Northern* States will seriously jeopardize Republican success. This condition of things renders it possible for the colored voters of the country, by judicious action, to place both parties on their good behavior and to secure to the race full guarantees of just and equitable treatment as a condition precedent to their support.

The ballot was given to the race ostensibly as a means of defense. The time has come for them to make it effective. Now, or never, they are to secure a prominent and respectable place in the American body politic.

Seeing the situation, and believing I can be of some service in the cause of the race in the coming struggle, I enter once more into the breach with the assurance to the readers of the LOUISIANIAN that I shall be found from now until the ides of November in the thickest of the fight.

P. B. S. PINCHBACK.

Personals.

—Gen. T. Morris Chester, departed for Washington last Sunday.

—Gen. Badger has returned. All is again serene in the Granite Building.

—Hon. A. J. Dumont returned from Washington last Sunday morning.

—Senator Bruce is designated the "Great silent worker" of the colored race in a communication to the *Argus*.

—Hon. Michael Hahn has our sympathy in his affliction. We trust he will speedily regain his health and resume his facile pen on the *Ledger*.

—Hon. James B. Deveaux has returned to his home in Georgia, doubtless, to use his influence in securing a representive delegation to the Chicago Convention.

—Col. John G. Clarke, Vice-President of the N. O. C. and St. L. R. R., is on a tour of inspection on the line of the road. Mr. Clarke is the life and soul of the reliable old Jackson route.

—Mr. Philip Robinson, our efficient and enterprising agent in Caldwell Parish, and one of the solid and leveless headed colored men in North Louisiana, was in the city during the week disposing of his crop and making purchases for the coming year.

A Fraudulent Wretch.

George. T. Ruby, an impecunious vagabond who has managed to eke out a miserable existence in this community for the last year and a half by the publication of a cheap personal advertising sheet called the *Observer*, in which, it is said, any rascal can secure a column laudatory notice by taking a "hundred copies at five cents apiece," during our absence at Washington published the following paragraph which he credits to the *Star*, (which Star nobody seems to know.)

Pinchback, the colored politician from Louisiana, who came so near being a Senator, is here. He wants to be made Naval Officer at New Orleans. Sherman wants to appoint him, with the hope that he will help fix the Louisiana delegation to Chicago for him, but the President is opposed to Pinch, for the reason that it is said that he is the owner of three high-toned Negro faro banks in New Orleans.

The cowardly cur knew well that every line in that paragraph was false; that its publication was not only a great wrong to an innocent family, but an injury and insult to the colored people of the State who, on many occasions, have chosen us by their suffrage to represent them in the highest and most important positions in their gift, but that fact made no difference to him. What does he care for the welfare of a family or the reputation of a race? With every good impulse (if he ever had one) eaten up with envy and avarice he could not allow such an excellent opportunity to turn a dishonest penny to escape him. He knew there were several unprincipled scoundrels in this community who would purchase hundreds of copies of his paper in order to circulate the slander and that together with his own desire to tarnish our good name was all sufficient to induce him to reproduce the lying paragraph in his contemptible sheet.

Not unmindful of the adage that to touch filth is to be defiled, we approach the vile wretch Ruby with great reluctance and only when the interests of others demand that we should denounce him for what he is—a slanderer, falsifier, sycophantic fraud and coward.

The Legislature.

A visit to the Legislature on Tuesday and Wednesday did not impress us over favorably with that body. The House, under the charge of its courteous and able speaker, ought to work smoothly, but it didn't seem to do so. There appeared to be a great lack of either brains or experience in the transaction of its business.

Among the members we recognized a few familiar faces besides our Republican friends, all of whom extended a cordial greeting. Of course we have not seen enough of the House to form a correct estimate of its character, and trust that further observations may remove our first impression.

The House consists of 146 members; 16 of these only are Republicans. The latter cannot, therefore, be in any way held responsible for the work of the House. It is to be hoped, however, that the mere handful of Republicans in the House, on all matters affecting the general good of the State, will be found on the right side of the record.

The Senate, during our visit, had under consideration the contest of D. C. Montan against J. S. Davidson from the fourteenth district, and if the summary manner in which it was disposed of is a fair sample of the deliberations of that body, we fear it contains entirely too much partisanism.

We have heard much to the prejudice of the presiding officer of the Senate and therefore observed his rulings closely, and frankness compells us to confess that his abruptness toward the colored Senators who sought to say a word in behalf of their colleague, rather inclined us to the opinion that there was more truth in what we had heard about him than is pleasant to believe.

Long before the vote was reached it had become painfully apparent from the general temper of the Senate that Davidson would have to go. But that did not deter Senator Demas from doing his duty to his doomed colleague. By persistent effort he managed to obtain the floor just before the "previous question" was called, and made an almost unanswerable argument against the unseating of Davidson. He fairly bristled with wit, sarcasm, and irony and cut right and left. His blows fell heavily upon some of the honorable members of the Senate and their effect were perceptible, but they could not save the doomed Davidson.

At the conclusion of Senator Demas' remarks several Senators made personal explanations of their votes. Mr. Davidson, when his name was reached on the call of the yeas and nays, was reluctantly permitted to say a few parting words. He died game. Always a great admirer of Hon. J. S. Davidson, our admiration for him increased when he declared "I am not here to beg the Senate to retain me in my seat nor do I ask to remain on my own account. I ask it as an act of justice to the voters of the Fourteenth Senatorial District who elected me to this body by over 1,000 majority. I know it is useless for me to say anything on the merits of the case. If the party in the majority have concluded to oust me and seat a gentleman who has not been elected it is at their option."

The report of the committee, unseating Davidson and seating Montan, was adopted by 22 yeas 8 nays, and thereby one of the stannchest and bravest colored men in the State was wrongfully deprived of his right to represent the race in the State Senate.

In our next issue we hope to be able to lay before our readers a synopsis of the past and prospective work of the Legislature.

Grant and Blaine.

It is given out that Mr. Blaine has concluded to make an active and vigorous canvass for the Presidential nomination, and that the fight will be begun in this State by an open warfare against the Grant movement.

Mr. Blaine can do many things and retain the respect of the people which another could not do without losing friends and exciting unfavorable criticism, but the *Inter-Ocean* doubts somewhat whether any candidate, no matter who he may be, can jump into an active scramble for so exalted a position without feeling, sooner or later, a reaction that will prove disastrous.

The office of Chief Magistrate of the United States is one that ought not to be fought over, like that of a constable. And, while for lesser offices men may make personal appeals for support, it hardly seems the correct thing for one named in connection with the Presidency to go to drumming the woods for votes.

It is said that Mr. Blaine has been advised to this course by his friends. If this be so, then we take it that his friends are unwise counselors. Mr. Root, of Chicago, is named as one of them, and, if it be a fact that he has advised a fight in this State against Grant, and that Mr. Blaine has adopted the idea, it will not have a tendency among those who know Mr. Root to increase their confidence in Mr Blaine's penetration. Generous, active, and every inch a Republican, Mr. Root is still a veritable Jonah when it comes to the political yawl-boat, and is morally certain to capsize himself, and everybody with him, before he fairly gets started.

The resolution to open a fight in Illinois is impolitic for several reasons: In the first place, though people like boldness and aggressiveness, there is a flavor of overweening confidence, a sort of "crowding of the mourners" in this movement, which even many of the friends of Mr. Blaine will regard with disfavor. If war should be opened against Mr. Blaine in his own State with the idea of carrying it for Grant, the newspapers would teem with the "insolence of the third-termers." As a matter of simple courtesy, if nothing else, a man's own State has been expected to cast its vote for him. The Grant men in Illinois have naught but the kindliest feelings toward Mr. Blaine, but an attempt to force the former's own State to vote against him in convention will certainly create considerable feeling, which we do not believe will be to the advantage of the brilliant Maine Senator.

We trust that Mr. Blaine will reflect twice before entering upon a canvass of the kind mentioned. No Republican in this State wishes to make warfare upon him, but certainly such a course could not be quietly acquiesced in by the friends of General Grant. So far as the *Inter-Ocean* is concerned, it would be glad to see the various candidates for the nomination go into the convention with their own delegations solid for them. It would not only be courteous, but the Republicans of the country owe this much to the eminent leaders who are named in connection with the office. Let Maine vote for James G. Blaine, Ohio for John Sherman, and Illinois for Grant. The friends of the various candidates should be generous enough to concede this.—*Inter-Ocean.*

From our Colored Exchanges.

[Herald and Pilot.]

The delegation from Tennessee to Chicago should be pledged to Grant.

[Suffragist.]

The Freedmen's Bank Investigation is likely to afford small comfort to the unfortunate depositors.

[Ohio Falls Express.]

The interest in the jury question continues; the colored citizens are earnest in their effort to obtain equity as partners in the administration of justice.

[Indianapolis Leader.]

There is a rumor afloat that Mr. Sherman will be Senator Conkling's second choice, Grant being first. This is important if true, but unfortunately it lacks confirmation.

[Huntsville Gazette.]

King Momus has one faithful subject in Huntsville. He hails from the ranks of "Young America," and, with characteristic boldness, masked and plumed, promenaded the streets Mardi Gras day solitary and alone. He should be knighted.

[Journal of Progress.]

It is hinted that the Georgia Republican delegation to Chicago will be composed of Independents (Democrats) and Republicans, and that Judge Lochrane is to head the delegation which, by the way, is to be pledged to Gen. Grant. My! My! Who are the people? Who make up the Republican party in Ga.? Who are to elect the Republican delegation?

[Baton Rouge Herald.]

Independent editors must come down from the fence before the Presidential procession comes.—Madison Journal.

From present appearances, there will be no necessity to do so, for the "man on horse back," is coming with such alarming velocity that he will reach the White House before they can have a sight—much less a shot—at him. Fact!

[Herald, of Kansas.]

When a white man commits murder he is hung. When an Indian does the same thing he is treated to a trip to Washington.—Atchison Patriot.

How this world is given to lying! How many "white men" have been hung in the South for murdering inoffensive colored men? The Patriot is called upon to investigate this murdering business, and we think it will discover that it has murdered the truth horribly.

[Citizen and Journal of Industry.]

In politics, let us support the men and the measures calculated to bring harmony and equal justice. We need not indulge in either the adoration or the abuse of either party, in each there are both good monstrous bad men. Many Democrats who are earnest well-wishers of our race, many Republicans ready to shed their blood in our defense. Let us not tolerate either those Democrats who would drive us from the polls by the shot-gun nor those Republicans who will at any opportunity barter us for their own selfish advancement. Let us try and become intelligent on the topics of the day, and as far as possible form our own opinions and put our own conclusions into actions.

From our Parish Exchanges.

[St. Charles Herald.]

At a meeting of the School Board Saturday last, it was determined to open the public schools of this parish in March.

[Guardian.]

The snow lasted a full week, and some of the girls have barreled some of it. We presume they will give a snow *ball-ing* next summer.

[Vindicator.]

If a person is born on the 29th of February, must he wait four years before his birthday rolls around, or how? Probably that is so.

[Madison Journal.]

The colored laborers are contracting freely for the coming cotton season, and the indications are that there will be no lack of tillers of the soil, despite the Kansas cry.

[Conservative.]

Vicksburg's Cotton Receipts this season foot up 130,000 bales against 73,000 bales for the same time of the previous season. This must be a pleasing fact for the property-holders and business men of that city.

[Monroe Bulletin.]

We beg leave to remind our farmers that the price of cotton is as uncertain as April weather. Our advice is to hedge against it by planting good crops of corn and other grain. Corn always finds ready sale at good prices in the Spring.

[Pioneer.]

The store of Mrs. Miller, of Labadieville, was consumed by fire on the night of the 12th, and but for the timely arrival of some colored men, the whole village would probably have been devoured by the flames. It is stated that the stock, valued at about $500, was insured for $5,000. It is not known where or how the fire originated.

[Sentinel.]

If stout, able bodied men, who are too nice to belong to a fire company, would hurry to any house in which fire was taking, and endeavor to check it until the engines reach the scene, they would be doing a much better business than that of standing on the streets laughing at the firemen who are running with their engines to the scene of conflagration.

[Minden Democrat.]

JAIL DELIVERY.—We were informed by our energetic and genial Sheriff S. J. Harrell, that on Monday night last, three colored prisoners made their escape from our jail by burning down the jail door. It is supposed the prisoners received aid from friends outside. The names are Anderson Ames, who is under sentence of death; Lewis Alford, charged with a criminal assault on a colored woman; Lewis Jones, awaiting trial for highway robbery.

In another column will be found a letter from Mr. O'Connor, member of Congress from South Carolina, relative to the affairs of the Freedman's Bank which we regard of great importance to the colored people in this section of the country.

We commend it to the careful consideration of the many of our people in this city and State who were ruthlessly robbed through that concern and suggest that they and their friends take some suitable action, at an early day, to encourage Mr. O'Connor in the righteous work of restoring to the credulous depositors their last earnings.

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The Louisianian.

SATURDAY, FEB. 21, 1880.

"I told you so," is now in order.

The price of ward politicians is on the upward tendency.

The work of laying new water pipes is progressing rapidly.

There is likely to be a row among the faithful about—who saved s'm.

All the pilgrims from our political Mecca (Washington) have returned.

The "Bijou" has closed. It was too much of a Jewel to remain open long.

Many of our Northern visitors are still lingering in the delights of our genial climate.

Some parts of the levees in the Sixth and Seventh districts are in a terrible condition.

E. J. Hollie, Commercial Alley has always on hand the latest and choicest literatures.

Our Irish fellow citizens are contributing largely to the relief of their race in Ireland.

The *Picayune* and *Democrat* are snarling about the printing contract. Mighty fat plum that!

The marriage business has become epidemic among us. How about the happiness it brings?

The question of establishing cotton manufactories in this city is once more agitating the minds of capitalists.

There are 16 colored men in the Louisiana Legislature—4 in the Senate and 12 in the House of Representatives.

Statesmen around the corners are already inquiring whether there will be two Republican delegations from this State.

The Collector having returned, applicants will please call for places that may have become vacant during his adsence.

Friend Perkin's crowd of Mardi Gras visitors has departed for their respective homes. But Mr. Jackson is still on hand.

The Magnolia Lodge, a newly organized body of Odd Fellows, will give a ball at the Exposition Hall on St. Joseph's day.

Mr. H. C. C. Astwood, the "Tireless" has been assigned to duty by Collector Marks since the 1st inst., he is giving entire satisfaction.

The cotton rollers made a strike for an increase of twenty cents on a bale last Monday. A compromise was effected on Tuesday.

Washingtonians should freely subscribe for the LOUISIANIAN. It contains the most extensive report of their society and other matters.

Ellis, opposite the Post-office, keeps constantly on his counter the latest New York and Western papers, magazines, periodical etc. Give bim a call.

It is said colored men wont shoot. That is a mistake. They will shoot each other. Willie Cook shot London Porter on the Kennedy plantation last Saturday.

Mrs. John Baltimore, of Cincinnati, who we regret to learn arrived one day too late to witness our Mardi Gras, spent a pleasant week in the city and left for her home last Tuesday on the steamer Will Kyle.

Will it advance Secretary Sherman's interest in Louisiana to have the Custom House rolls filled with the names of questionable characters whose only occupation seems to be to stand around the corridors of the Granite Building and abuse decent people?

The proposed reception of Gen. Grant on his visit to this city is already engaging the attention of his Republican friends and admirers among our people.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

A colored exodus convention met at Dallas, Texas, on the 16th and adjourned on the 18th inst. During its sessions the convention formed itself into the Texas Farmers' Association. The Association proposes to organize a colony in the Pan Handle with a capital stock of $100,000. Shares, $25 each. Officers and agents to canvass counties for contributions to the colony fund and make arrangements for immigration to the colony with the opening of the fall; 150 families from Louisiana are expected to join the movement.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—Exports estimate the losses of farmers in the United Kingdom during 1879 at one hundred to one hundred and fifty million pounds.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The following dispatch has been sent by the chief signal officer to observers at river stations south of Louisville: The river at Cincinnati is 52½ feet above low water mark, and rising; at Louisville 27 feet above and rising, and at Nashville 43 feet 4 inches above, but falling.

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 17—The Republican State Committee met here to-day, Col. Bryant, the chairman, presiding. A State convention was called to meet in Atlanta, April 21st, to choose delegates to the National Convention and transact other business.

UTICA, Feb. 17.—Two Republican conventions were held in the first assembly district, Oneida county, to-day, each claiming to have a majority of duly elected delegates; two sets of delegates were elected to the State Convention, one headed by Roscoe Conkling, and one by Sam'l S. Lowery. The convention, which elected the latter adopted resolutions expressing unalterable opposition to the election of any president for the third term, and instructed its delegates to enforce this principle in every honorable way.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The department of superintendence of the National Educational Association convened in this city to-day.

At a meeting of the Board Trustees of the Peabody Educational Fund to-day Chief Justic T. C. Manning, of Louisiana, was unanimously chosen to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Gen. Richard Taylor.

The Secretary thinks a memorial to Congress will be prepared, advocating legislation in behalf of the colored children of the South.

MADRID. Feb.—19.—The law abolishing slavery in Cuba was promulgated to-day in the Official Gazette.

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.

A National Convention of the Republican party will meet at Chicago on WEDNESDAY, THE 2D DAY OF JUNE NEXT, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the nomination of candidates to be supported for President and Vice President at the next election. Republicans, and all who will co-operate with them in supporting the nominees of the party, are invited to choose two delegates from each Congressional district, four at large from each State, two from each Territory and two from the District of Columbia, to represent them in the Convention.

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EDITOR LOUISIANIAN:

Yes, it has come at last. The posthumous—"I told you so"—is again in order. In a letter to the LOUISIANIAN, some months since, I predicted that before the lenten season should cut short our frolics and gaieties the *People's Advocate* and the *Argus* would have each other by the ears. A Philadelphia paper recently published what purported to be a synopsis of the testimony given by Charles Otey, recently, before the Exodus Committee. J. W. Cromwell reproduced it in the *Advocate*. Otey, in a curt, stinging note informed Cromwell that he would hold him to a personal accountability for publishing what he (Cromwell) knew to be false. Cromwell, in that cold, dry, unpoetic style, for which he is at times vexingly characteristic, replied that he did not seriously object to having the matter settled in the way suggested by his brother ink-slinger; in short, "you may do just as you please." Whether there will be a hostile meeting on the other side of the Potomac, or a war of paper bullets on this side, has not yet transpired.

The citizens of Baltimore, a few days ago, gave a banquet to Senator Bruce and Marshall Douglass, at which both of these distinguished gentlemen delivered eloquent speeches.

The National Convention, which will meet at Chicago June 2d, will afford an opportunity not heretofore enjoyed by leading colored men of the South to show that they are not wedded to the apron-strings of a few white demagogues, but that they speak and vote for themselves, and cannot be sold to either of the candidates for the presidency as quails upon the market. Will they improve the opportunity thus presented or will they fritter it away by wrangles among themselves as they have done heretofore? There is, in truth, at this moment but three prominent candidates for the presidency on the Republican side—Sherman, Blaine, and Grant—and should the bitterness which now characterizes the conduct of the canvass between these gentlemen increase with time, as it doubtless will, it is highly probable that a "dark horse," whose name is scarcely mentioned in connection with the presidency, will carry off the prize. The death of each day registers new complications and difficulties to be surmounted by one or the other of these candidates just named. The seeming irresistibility of the Grant boom, a short time since, sent the Blaine and Sherman stock down to zero. With the meeting of the Pennsylvania convention and the subsequent revolt of many of its members against the instruction to vote for Grant, which the convention by a small majority imposed upon them, checked the boom and gave confidence and encouragement to the other candidates. These ups and downs, lights and shades, hopes and fears, are very trying to the spirits of the men whose ambition it is to sign themselves President of the United States.

Our young friend, K., of Louisiana, who some months ago lost a casket containing some precious jewels, has had them restored. He says he will devote the remainder of his life to the care and safe-keeping of those jewels. You are quite right, K., for I am sure you could never replace them on this mundane sphere.

The Misses Sommerville, of Alabama, gave a social the other evening at the residence of Mrs. Smallwood. Among the guests were Messrs. J. D. Kennedy, W. E. Mathews, C. A. Fleetwood, H. C. Bruce, and many other distinguished lights of the social world. All who were present pronounce the entertainment one of the pleasantest of the season. The annual reception of the President and Mrs. Hayes to the Diplomatic Corps occurred on Tuesday evening, Feb. 10th. It was considered by all to have been the most brilliant affair that ever occurred at the White House. The entire building, as well as the assemblage, was resplendent with magnificence. The floral decorations, especially in the east room where the President and party received their guests, exceeded any former occasion; not a corner or niche was left bare, but the room for the time being was transformed into a conservatory. The officers of the army and navy and members of the various legations appeared in full uniform, and the other gentlemen appeared in the conventional evening dress. The toilettes of the ladies were indeed unsurpassed. Fairy land, with its myriads of beauties, seemed emptied into the White House. Perhaps one of the most notable features of the occasion was the appearance of Senator and Mrs. Bruce. The tall, graceful figure of Mrs. Bruce was displayed in a black velvet princess dress, elaborately trimmed with gold-colored satin, richly embroidered, and drapings of pointed duchess lace, studded with butter-cups at her waist and throat. She wore exquisite flowers with just enough coloring in them to heighten the effect of the whole. Her soft brown hair was simply and becomingly arranged, the only ornament worn being a cluster of tiny rosebuds embedded in lace. Her jewelry consisted of solitaire diamonds worn in the ears and around the neck. Mrs. Bruce's toilette was considered one of the most tasteful and magnificent of the evening.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—On last Friday, during the consideration of the printed calendar, I got the subcommittee of ways and means to take up the case of the swindled freedmen. Since Mr. Gibson's election as United States Senator and his return, he has asked to be relieved of the duties of chairman of the sub-committee, and Dr. Felton, of Georgia, has been substituted in his stead. Catching a few spare moments from the deliberations of the house, the sub-committee heard the opening of the case on last Friday. I was aided and assisted by Hon. John E. Ellis, of Louisiana, who introduced the first bill upon the subject in the forty-fifth congress. I had not the time at this first and indeterminate session of the sub-committee to present more than a small part of the freedman's case, but I have convinced the committee that we were in earnest, and we must have a report one way or the other to submit the case for the final and decisive action of congress. Our case is that it is an appeal to congress to give relief to those who have been made the victims of a deceit, a fraud, a swindle, from complicity in which congress cannot exculpate itself upon a hearing of the facts. The first question Mr. Dunnell, of Minnesota, asked at the hearing was, who was complaining or petitioning for redress. Petitions have come to me from Macon, Georgia; Newbern and Wilmington, North Carolina; Arkansas, Natchez, Louisville and Charleston; but there were thirty-odd branches of the bank in the Southern States, and from every point where there was a branch petitions or resolutions, signed, should be forwarded. The labor will not be lost, for if the work which I have begun should not be consummated during my term, there are good men who will take it up and press it on to the desired end. It has been said, and I know it will continue to be said, by those who are too sordid and selfish to rise to my aims, that it is only a scheme to get negro votes. I let pass these gibes as the idle wind, for you know, as well as I do, that the influence of such a measure as this could never reach thousands of negroes in my district. The case would never reach them, or if it did it would be through false channels, and they would never understand it. The suspicions upon our motives will only make us fight the harder for its accomplishment. I saw an extract from a country newspaper, stating that ten millions was the sum required from the treasury to make up the deficiency. This is an error—it will take less than a million. What is wanted now is to enlighten and crystallize public opinion in favor of the measure, and I believe there are enough brave and honest men in Congress to force the measure through. The records of Congress show millions voted for bounty and gratuity, yea for reimbursement and indemnities that are tantamount to reimbursement of robbery. The nation bestows millions upon millions in pensions, and even in rewards for gallant deeds; then why should not the poor, deluded and victimized ward of the nation be returned the fruits of his sweat and hard labor which were drawn from him by deceit and the most infamous plot that ever disgraced humanity? If one Congress has in any way contributed to this trying grievance, another and a succeeding congress should have the power to correct and remedy it. There is a continuity in our government, and no interregnum except that which widespread revolution might occasion.

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